Minutes
BLACKSTONE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
January 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.
BLACKSTONE PUBLIC LIBRARY
VIA ZOOM

1) Opening:
   (a) Call to order and roll call - Mary Lou Branchaud, Maryann Dobeck, Lisa
       Cheever, Kate Renaud, Patti Guzinski and Jean Alexandrowicz and
       Kelly Gillis
   (b) Approved minutes December 13, 2021- Jean Alexandrowicz 1st, Kate
       Renaud 2nd
   (c) Next meeting February 14, 2022
   (d) Library Closings: January 17, 2022 for Martin Luther King Day
   (e) Next Friend’s Meeting January 18, 2022 @ 6:30pm

2) Finances:
   (a) Discussion of FY22 budget year to date
   (b) FY 23 Budget information and discussion.–
       1) Meeting with Selectmen January 15, 2022 10:45am
       2) Date for all warrants outstanding – Director to confirm date

3) Director: Reports and Discussions
   (a) Accept 2021 edited Annual Report – Jean Alexandrowicz 1st, Kelly Gillis
       2nd
   (b) 2021 Cookie Walk raised $2,155
   (c) Long range plan update at 2/14 meeting
   (d) Library survey moving forward. Trustees to provide feedback on survey
       by 1/14. Lisa to schedule patron meeting for input.
   (e) Committee will be writing a letter in support of Bill H.4120 which addresses
       the ongoing issue with cost and access to e-book content by libraries.
   (f) Discussion took place on the 8 Library Networks in the Commonwealth and
       how these work together to promote access to library materials throughout the State.
       Trustees asked to be provided with a more detailed explanation of Comcat which
       is part of this cooperative. Donna Ansell will provide for next month.

4) Trustees: Reports and Discussion:
   (a) Correspondence - thank you’s sent to Bear’s Tree Farm for greens and to
       Kathy Tata
   (b) Approval of Annual Report – See Director: Report and Discussions
   (c) Discussed legislation regarding Sales Tax re: sale of used library books as
       it impacts Friends Groups.
(d) Reduction of hours in this fiscal year will not impact State Aid.
(e) Reviewed dates of Trustees meetings – 2\textsuperscript{nd} Monday of the month except for the October meeting which will be held on October 4\textsuperscript{th}.

5) Matters the Chairperson reasonably anticipates to be discussed
   (a) Town administrator meeting- water bubbler conversion to refilling station and may be covered by Covid funding – outside security cameras
   (b) February meeting will discuss Director review and long range plan updates

6) Old Business:
   (a) Reviewed Trustees Calendar, Kelly Gillis
   (b) Approved Policy Manual edits , Library Grounds and Parking Lot– Kelly Gillis 1\textsuperscript{st}, Mary Ann Dobeck 2nd

7) Good and Welfare

8) Adjournment –Jean Alexandrowicz 1\textsuperscript{st}, Kelly Gillis 2nd

\[X\text{\hspace{1cm} \scriptsize Kate Renaud}
\text{\hspace{1cm} Co-Secretary Blackstone Public Library Board...}\]